

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Claus Harder et al.

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ACTIVE SUBSTANCE INTO A
VESSEL THROUGH WHICH A
BODY MEDIUM FLOWS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 24, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Status is on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments/Conclusion begin on page 5 of this paper.

STATUS OF APPLICATION PRIOR TO AMENDMENT

The above-captioned patent application is pending.

Claims 1-13 were pending in the application.

Claims 1, 2 and 11-13 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Ragheb et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,824,049).

Claims 1, 2 and 9-11 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Momma et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2005/0027350).

Claims 3-8 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ragheb et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,824,049) in view of Meyer-Lindenberg et al. (International Patent Publication No. WO 02/100452).

Claims 3-8 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Momma et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2005/0027350) in view of Meyer-Lindenberg et al. (International Patent Publication No. WO 02/100452).